

WILD RUMOR CAUSES STIR

Sudden and Intense Revival of
Interest in the Scott
Murder Case.

REPORT OF HIDDEN TREASURE

But It Was All the Romantic
Figuement of a Fertile
Brain.

Interest in the unexplained murder of
Junius R. Scott, the down-town store-
keeper, who was mysteriously shot on the
night of October 24, was suddenly and
decidedly revived yesterday by a wild
and romantic rumor of a hidden treasure
discovered, and an ante-mortem statement
left by the dead man.

The tale was one that would have
fitted well within the covers of a modern
sensational novel. Though utterly without
foundation, as it proved, it was circum-
stantially correct in every detail and was,
therefore, deceptive to the last degree. It
recited that the murdered man, frugal
and careful of his funds, had in the
course of years laid by a hoard of money
which he and his wife wished to convey
to their children. The one who was to live
longest was to leave the directions to the
beneficiaries concerning the manner of
reaching the treasure. The wife died first
and last October Scott, the father, was
murdered.

STORY OF DISCOVERY.

With an elaborateness that exhibited a
wonderful ingenuity and imagination in
its creator, the rumor told of the dis-
covery among certain old papers of a
statement signed by the Scott parents.
The very language of the document was
quoted at length, and an affectionate
message from them to the children, com-
ing as it were from the grave, was re-
corded. This document affected to reveal
the whereabouts of a treasure that was
to be divided equally among the sur-
viving children. Proceeding with this in-
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ORDER COMES OUT OF CHAOS

(Continued From Eighth Page.)

of the bank were as safe as on the day
they were placed in the vault. They were
removed to the American National Bank
building on Gay Street, where temporary
offices will be opened.

Inspector Preston Busy.

Building Inspector Preston was an ex-
tremely busy man today, due to clamor
for permits by large business and finan-
cial houses to rebuild.
Mr. Preston said: "The spirit shown by
those who suffered by the fire is truly
remarkable. Without waiting for their
insurance adjusted, the business and
financial concerns are ready and anxious
to go ahead. I am compelled, however,
to withhold all permits for building pur-
poses within the fire lines for several
days. The burned territory is too dan-
gerous for any large force to work in
just now."

Mr. Preston is engaged in clearing all
the streets that run through the fire dis-
trict. All loose walls that can be safely
razed with ropes are being taken down
by the laborers. All other walls that
are dangerous will be blown down with
explosives.

Men seen to-day, as a rule,
stick to the estimates made yesterday on
insurance losses. There is still a wide
difference of opinion among them. A mi-
nority express the belief that when all
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Ask for Federal Troops.

(By Associated Press.)
ANNAPOLIS, MD., Feb. 10.—The Gen-
eral Assembly tonight passed the bill
authorizing the President to send
Federal troops to Baltimore. It is un-
derstood that Governor Warfield will ask
the President for 3,000 soldiers. An an-
nouncing act of the city of Bal-
timore to borrow \$2,000,000 was also passed.

Message of Sympathy.

(By Associated Press.)
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 10.—At
the regular meeting of the Jacksonville
Board of Trade today the action of the
president of the board in sending a tele-
gram offering aid and extreme sym-
pathy to the Baltimore Chamber of Com-
merce was approved.

EXPRESS SYMPATHY.

Religious Papers Predict That Great City Will Rise Again.

The religious papers of Richmond con-
tain editorial articles of the great Bal-
timore fire and express sympathy for
the sufferers. The Religious Herald
says that though prostrate now the great
Southern city will rise again. Her sturdy
and enterprising citizens, with confi-
dence unshaken in her future, will begin
promptly the work of rebuilding, and
out of the ashes of the old a finer and
nobler city will grow. The Central Pres-
byterian also mentions the matter, and
quotes the prayer of the chaplain of the
House of Representatives, in which the
divine blessing was invoked for the
stricken city.

ABOUT \$750,000.

Hartford to Pay Baltimore Claims for This Amount at Once.

Mr. George C. Jefferson, State agent
of the Hartford Fire Insurance Company,
received a letter from the president of
his company yesterday saying that the
loss of the company in the Baltimore fire
was about \$750,000. The company will
pay immediately the full amount of the
loss. Mr. Jefferson will be called to Bal-
timore to assist other agents of the com-
pany in effecting a speedy settlement of
all the claims.

CUT BY A SAW.

Colored Boy in Serious Condi- tion at the City Hospital.

A sixteen-year-old negro boy, named
Cornelius Johnson, is at the point of death
at the City Hospital. He was "fooling"
with a buzz saw, at St. Peter and Baker
streets, about 8 o'clock last night, when
he fell across the saw, and was badly
cut in the abdomen. Dr. Crump was
called to attend him and carried the boy
to the hospital, where he is now the best
of treatment, but no hope is entertained
for his recovery.

Will Pay in Cash.

The following telegram has been re-
ceived here by Messrs. Chapin and Hume,
agents for the North British and Mer-
cantile Insurance Company, from Mr. E.
G. Richards, the New York manager of
the company: "Our Baltimore losses about
\$1,000,000 will be paid in cash. Am in-
structed to draw on London for necessary
funds, without disturbing American securi-
ties."

For the Sufferers.

The Times-Dispatch will be glad to re-
ceive contributions for the Baltimore suf-
ferers. The following subscriptions have
been made:

Misses Stewart	\$500
Mrs. John Stewart	100
Mrs. Joseph Bryan	100
Mrs. Joseph R. Anderson	20
Total	\$720

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE IN OSWEGO

One Fireman Fatally Hurt and Another One Badly Injured.

Corn and Starch Burned.

(By Associated Press.)
OSWEGO, N. Y., Feb. 10.—The huge
starch factory of the Corn Products Com-
pany, consisting of three great buildings,
forming the largest establishment of the
kind in the world, was threatened with
total destruction by a fire which started
this afternoon in the chemical room. One
of the buildings has been destroyed, and
late to-night the second building was
ablaze and the fire entirely beyond con-
trol. It was feared that the flames would
spread to the Columbia flouring mills and
Kingford's office and malt house.

After the city fire department and the
volunteer department of Kingsford's mills
had tried in vain to cope with the flames,
Mayor Mansfield telegraphed for aid
to Fulton and Syracuse. From the
city the fire department and twenty-five
men were dispatched and joined their ef-
forts to those of the local department.

Firemen Dougherty and Evans have
been injured, the former fatally by a fall
from a roof. Twenty-five men at work in
the buildings where the fire started bare-
ly escaped. The burning buildings contain
some hundreds of thousands of bushels of
starch and corn. It is believed that the
loss will reach a million dollars. Six
hundred employees are thrown out of work.

The flames were under control, being
confined to the one building.

STARED AT BY DEATH

Mr. S. J. London, Richmond
Merchant, Has Remarkable
Experience and Escape.

A LONELY MIDNIGHT RIDE

Only Passenger on Train Which
Broke Loose, Was Wrecked
and Burned.

Mr. Samuel J. London, proprietor of
the furniture store at No. 121 East Main
Street, had a remarkable escape from
death or serious injury in a wreck in
North Carolina early yesterday morning.
Mr. London, having the unusual expe-
rience of being the only passenger on the
train, it fell to his lot to face death
alone. Benson, near Rocky Mount, N. C.,
was the scene of action. A branch
line comes into Benson and passengers
are introduced to the country districts
by the means of a combination of freight
and passenger cars into one train. Late
Tuesday night, or early yesterday morn-
ing, Mr. London was returning Benson-
ward, with the entire train to himself. It
was his privilege to follow his inclination
to sit in the front seat right hand side or
rear seat left hand side. While thus
monarch of all, the train parted and he
found that the section which had fallen to
his charge was going backwards and
gaining in speed with every passing
minute. Riding was good, however, and
pleasant, though frightfully lonely until
a parabolic reflector sent parallel rays
of white light along the rails and re-
vealed a particularly dangerous situation.
There were just two things to be done—
say one's prayers and jump. Mr. London
did one at least, landing on his feet just
a moment before the oncoming engine
and the cars went into another scene
of a mighty crash and flying of timbers
and splinters. Mr. London was struck in
the side with a spar of the wreck, and
said yesterday, as he tenderly rubbed the
place, "that he didn't know whether he
had a broken rib or not. He says the
cars, which he had and such brief
control, seemed to him to leap upon the engine
and climb down on the other side. Then
the wreckage caught fire and burned,
while the wily passenger sought an-
other train and came home."

Taylor Captured.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BLUEFIELD, W. VA., Feb. 10.—Harry
Taylor, who killed an unknown man
near Athens, this county, and hid his
body in an abandoned house, was to-day
captured in Raleigh county and will be
brought back for trial.

City Is Wapped SNOW AGAIN

(Continued From First Page.)

ditions over the Plateau regions and the
eastern Rocky Mountain slope. Storm
depressions over the Pacific coast, the
central and Gulf regions, the latter of
which is causing considerable rain in the
Southern and South Atlantic States. Pre-
cipitation has also occurred over the Plat-
eau region, and locally in to lower lake
region. The temperatures have remained
about stationary in all sections of the
country during the last twenty-four
hours. Heavy rain has fallen at Meridian,
Miss., 1.4 inches, and a thunderstorm is
reported at the same place. Dense fog
is prevailing at Mobile and Tampa, and
light frost has occurred at Los Angeles,
Cal.

In Richmond.

In Richmond during the day and night
the scenes were much similar. There was
a special damage reported, though the
extreme weather necessarily imposed con-
siderable suffering upon all, and, par-
ticularly, those in destitute circum-
stances.

Walking in the streets was a difficult
and far from delightful process. The
northeast wind, damp and cold, swept
the streets, and cut the starch out of
every man who came within its reach.
A driving snow-storm assailed the
pedestrian during the storm, and the
pedestrian was intensely miserable at every
step. The street cars early began to
grow uncertain in their movements. The
schedule went to pieces about 9 o'clock
at night, but the trucks were kept clear
and some sort of service was maintained,
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The railroads were not interfered with
seriously. Slow schedules were neces-
sary in some cases, but all the trains
were kept running. The forces of men
were sent out to keep the switches and
"kick clear."

From the inside of a warm room the
snow was beautiful and mysterious.
Everything was wrapped in a sheet of
white that glowed around the city. House-
tops in the fitful light of the elec-
tric arcs and every bush and post wore
a helmet of pure white. The Capitol
Square was a wonderful scene of mid-
winter beauty. The snow drew its fleecy
unconscious under a mask of beauty.

To-day the good sport of sleighing will
be on again. The coasting down the long
hills of the city will begin early and
continue late. The jingle of the sleigh
bells will be heard along all the fash-
ionable streets.

HELPED THE DISTRESSED.

Rev. Mr. Wiley Took the Needy in and Gave Them Soup.

Enveloped in a sheet of white, the city
presented a scene last night fit for the
aesthetic; but filled with horror and woe
for the poor.

At the Methodist Mission the same
scene that presented itself two weeks
ago, when snow enveloped the city, and
caused the needy to go forth in search
of succor, was apparent. Soups and beds
were in demand, and the supply was ex-
hausted long before the demand ceased.

Rev. Mr. Wiley was the good Samar-
itan, and his good deeds will follow him.
The recipients were grateful, and Mr.
Wiley did not care what the man's creed,
previous conditions or anything else
happened to be his. Looking him in, and
when the home was filled, Captain Hulse
and Captain Whitlock opened up the station
houses, and no one had to sleep out in
the snow.

There were no special cases of ex-
treme distress. All the reports that were
in were taken up, and hurried in-
vestigations were made.

No man in distress was allowed to
go out into the storm, and no man was
allowed to suffer.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH RELY ON PE-RU-NA TO FIGHT CATARRH, COUGHS, COLDS, GRIP



Peruna for coughs
and colds in children.

Use Pe-ru-na for La Grippe
and Winter Catarrh.

IN EVERY country of the civilized world
the Sisters of Charity are known.
Not only do they minister to the spiritual
and intellectual needs of the charges com-
mitted to their care, but they also minis-
ter to their bodily needs.

Whenever coughs, colds, la grippe
or pneumonia make their appearance
among the children these Sisters are not
disconcerted, but know exactly the reme-
dies to apply.

With so many children to take care of
and to protect from climate and disease
these wise and prudent Sisters have found
Peruna a never-failing safeguard.

Sisters of St. Joseph, of the Deaf Mute Institute, 1810 Cass Avenue, St.
Louis, Mo., write:

"We appreciate Peruna very much. It certainly does good work with cat-
arrh and also with colds and la grippe. We have faith in Peruna and have
inspired many others with same. We do not like to be without it. It has cer-
tainly kept us from being very sick. It did a world of good last winter for
our little ones. Thanking you for your kindness to us and our afflicted ones,
we remain yours, gratefully,
SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH."

Dr. Hartman receives many letters
from Catholic Sisters from all over the
United States. A recommendation recently
received from a Catholic institution in De-
troit, Mich., reads as follows:

Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio:

Dear Sir:—The young girl who used
the Peruna was suffering from la grippe,
and loss of voice. The result of the
treatment was most satisfactory. She
found great relief, and after further use
of the medicine we hope to be able to
say she is entirely cured." Sisters of
Charity.

This young girl was under the care of
the Sisters of Charity and used Peruna
for catarrh of the throat, with good re-
sults as the above letter testifies.

From a Catholic institution in Central
Ohio comes the following recommendation
from the Sister Superior:

"Some years ago a friend of our insti-
tution recommended to us Dr. Hartman's
Peruna as an excellent remedy for the
influenza of which we then had several
cases which threatened to be of a serious
character."

"We began to use it and experienced

such wonderful results that since then
Peruna has become our favorite medicine
for influenza, catarrh, cold, cough and
bronchitis."

Another recommendation from a Catholic
institution of one of the Central States
written by the Sister Superior reads as
follows:

"A number of years ago our attention
was called to Dr. Hartman's Peruna, and
since then we have used it with wonder-
ful results for grip, coughs, colds and cat-
arrh diseases of the head and stom-
ach."

"For grip and winter catarrh especial-
ly it has been of great service to the in-
mates of this institution."

SISTERS OF CHARITY

All Over the United States Use Pe-ru-na
for Catarrh.

A recommendation recently received from
a Catholic institution in the Southwest
reads as follows:

"A prominent Mother Superior says:
"I can testify from experience to the
efficiency of Peruna as one of the very

best medicines, and
it gives me pleasure
to add my praise to
that of thousands
who have used it.
For years I suffer-
ed with catarrh of
the stomach, all reme-
dies proving valueless for relief.
Last spring I went to Colo-
rado, hoping to be benefited
by a change of climate and
while there a friend advised
me to try Peruna. After using two bot-
tles I found myself very much improved.
The remains of my old disease being now
so slight, I consider myself cured, yet
consequently I am now treating another
patient with your medicine. She has
been sick with malaria and troubled with
leucorrhoea. I have no doubt that a cure
will be speedily effected."

These are samples of letters received
by Dr. Hartman from the various orders
of Catholic Sisters throughout the United
States.

The names and addresses to these let-
ters have been withheld from respect to
the Sisters, but will be furnished on re-
quest.

One-half of the diseases which afflict
mankind are due to some catarrhal dis-
arrangement of the mucous membrane lin-
ing some organ or passage of the body.

A remedy that would act immediately
upon the congested mucous membrane
restoring it to its normal condition, a re-
medy that would cure all these diseases, Cat-
arrh is catarrh wherever located, whether
it be in the head, throat, lungs, stom-
ach, kidneys or pelvic organs. A remedy
that will cure it in one location will cure
it in all locations. Peruna cures catarrh
wherever located.

If you do not derive prompt and sat-
isfactory results from the use of Peruna
write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a
full statement of your case and he will be
pleased to give you his valuable ad-
vice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, president of The
Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

**HEAVY SNOW STORM
SWEEPS THE STATE**

High Wind, Low Temperature
and Large Fall of
Snow.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 10.—The Weather
Bureau warns the shipping that there will
be high northeast winds off the Hatteras
bank this evening and to-night. The
consequence is that all the small craft
hugged port. Northeast storm warnings
have been ordered at Port Monroe to
Savannah. The disturbance is central in
the Gulf.

The drop in the temperature has been
very pronounced. The sidewalks are cov-
ered with frozen rain and sleet and walking
is dangerous. Many horses have fallen
during the day and some of them have
been injured badly.

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FARMVILLE, VA., Feb. 10.—Snow be-
gan snowing here to-day at 1:30 o'clock
and the indication is that the snow will
be a deep one.